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PATENT APPLICATION

Docket No.: 15436.860

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
Christina Woody Mercier)
Serial No.: 09/896,408) Art Unit
Filed: June 28, 2001) 2143
For: AUTOMATED CREATION OF)
APPLICATION DATA BATHS IN)
STORAGE AREA NETWORKS)
Confirmation No.: 2281)
Customer No.: 22913)
Examiner: Jude Jean Gilles)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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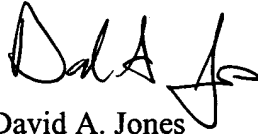
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated February 1, 2005 (paper no. 09896408), be extended for Three (3) months until August 1, 2005.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

DATED this 1 day of August, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D.A. Jones', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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